

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Kindly replace claims 7, 14, 19, 22 and 27 with the following.*

B2 sub D17 7. (Twice Amended) An apparatus as described in claim 5, the second stage configured to derive the new set of  $N$  paths from the first set of more than  $N$  paths.

sub D17 14. (Amended) An apparatus for configuring a RAKE receiver, the apparatus comprising:

B3 an input signal;

a searcher, the searcher configured to use the input signal to find a set of candidate paths; and,

a selector, the selector configured to use the input signal and the set of candidate paths to select a subset of candidate paths that are used to configure the RAKE receiver, the selector configured to generate a new subset of paths while the searcher is inactive.

sub D17 19. (Amended) An apparatus for configuring a RAKE receiver, the apparatus comprising:

B4 an input signal;

a searcher, the searcher configured to use the input signal to find a set of candidate paths, the set of candidate paths containing  $M$  paths; and

a selector, the selector configured to use the input signal and the set of candidate paths to select a smaller set of candidate paths, the selector comprising  $k \cdot M$  correlators, the selector configured to use  $k \cdot M$  correlators to generate  $M$  estimates.

Sub D17 22. (Twice Amended) A method for configuring a RAKE receiver, the method comprising the steps of:

finding a first set of paths;

searching the first set of paths to generate a first set of correlation values; [and]

selecting a second set of paths from the first set of paths based on a second set of correlation values; and

updating the second set of paths without updating the first set of paths.

Sub D17 27. (Amended) A method for configuring a RAKE receiver, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving an input signal;

finding a first set of paths;

searching the first set of paths to generate a set of correlation values;

selecting a second set of paths from the first set of paths based on the correlation values and the input signal; and

updating the second set of paths without updating the first set of paths.

Kindly cancel claims 17, 20, 23, 25, 28 and 30 without prejudice or disclaimer.